OSCC DECISION No. 21/02 TO THE TREATY ON OPEN SKIES

Scale of distribution for the common expenses associated with the operation of the Open Skies Consultative Commission

The Open Skies Consultative Commission, pursuant to the provision of Annex L, paragraph 9 of the Treaty on Open Skies, has decided as follows:

- 1. The scale of distribution for the common expenses associated with the operation of the Open Skies Consultative Commission (hereafter referred to as the "scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission") shall be based on the revised scale of distribution adopted in PC.DEC/468, dated 11 April 2002, by the Permanent Council of the OSCE (hereafter referred to as the "Standard Scale of Contributions"). The scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission shall be revised to reflect any revisions of the Standard Scale of Contributions.
- 2. In accordance with OSCC.DEC/8/02/Corr.1, dated 22 April 2002, further to the deposit of Sweden's instrument of accession, the OSCC decides to redistribute OSCC costs in accordance with paragraph 4. Sweden shall become liable for OSCC costs sixty days after deposit of its instrument of accession, effective at the beginning of the next OSCE budget quarter following OSCC agreement on the redistribution of costs.
- 3. Recalling OSCC/III/Dec.10 paragraph 2 (B), it revises the ad hoc additional contributions of OSCC States Parties to the special regime established for those countries exempted from proportional contribution in line with the revisions made to the Standard Scale of Contributions. Annex A paragraph 3 applies.
- 4. Taking into account the fact that not all participating States to the OSCE are Parties to the Treaty, States Parties have to make an additional contribution to their contribution to the "Standard Scale", in order to cover the existing shortfall.
 - (A) As a rule, this additional contribution will be proportional to the "Standard Scale". Nevertheless, any State Party may provide a higher additional contribution.
 - (B) However, taking into account their present economic situation, those countries listed in Annex A to this Decision will be exempted from the proportional contribution mentioned in subparagraph (A) and will only make an ad hoc additional contribution, agreed by the States Parties.
 - (C) The special regime established in subparagraph (B) will last as long as the economic situation on the countries listed in Annex A to this Decision so requires. The special regime will be subject to review every year.
- 5. As long as only participating States to the OSCE are Parties to the Treaty, and provided that there remains a shortfall to be covered, the financial contribution to the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission of any State Party will have to be superior to its contribution to the "Standard Scale".

- 6. In case of accession to the Treaty of participating States to the OSCE, their financial contributions to the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission will be calculated according to the principles established in paragraphs 1, 2, and 3. In that case, the financial contributions to the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission of the other States Parties will be reduced in due proportion. This provision does not apply to those countries listed in Annex A to this Decision, as long as the special regime established in paragraph 4, subparagraph (B) grants them the benefit of financial contributions to the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission lower than those of other States Parties which bear an identical contribution to the "Standard Scale".
- 7. In case of accession to the Treaty of non-participating States to the OSCE, their financial contributions to the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission as well as the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission will be agreed on an ad hoc basis by the Open Skies Consultative Commission.
- 8. As of 1 October 2002, the scale of distribution of the Open Skies Consultative Commission is agreed as follows (in percentages):

France	10.329
Germany	10.329
Italy	10.329
United Kingdom	10.329
United States of America	10.215
Russian Federation	9.050
Canada	6.185
Spain	5.100^{*}
Netherlands	4.313
Belgium	4.029
Sweden	4.029
Denmark	2.327
Norway	2.327
Poland	1.589
Ukraine	1.510
Turkey	1.135
Portugal	0.964
Greece	0.794
Hungary	0.794
Romania	0.794
Czech Republic	0.760
Bulgaria	0.624
Luxembourg	0.624
Belarus	0.590
Slovakia	0.375
Iceland	0.216
Georgia	0.180

^{*} This percentage reflects the agreement of Spain to provide a higher additional contribution.

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